IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows. This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1-9 (canceled)

10. (Currently Amended) A door for a refrigerating appliance, comprising:
an outer wall and an inner wall connected together along longitudinal edges;
a first closure element fastened to a transverse edge of said outer wall and a transverse edge of said inner wall, said first closure element together with said outer wall and said inner wall delimits an insulating intermediate space; and
said inner wall constructed to be shorter in the longitudinal direction than said outer wall, said first closure element bridges the difference in length between said inner wall and said outer wall,
~~such that when the door is in a closed position,~~ the first closure element is configured for covering at least one of a control arrangement and a condition-indicating panel operatively associated with the refrigerating appliance, said first closure element having a stepped cross-section with a first portion fastened to said transverse edge of said outer wall, a second portion fastened to said transverse edge of said inner wall and a flank portion connecting said first and second portions, said flank portion compensating for the difference in length between said inner wall and said outer wall.

11. (Cancelled)

12. (Previously Presented) The door according to claim 11, including said first closure element formed from an injection moulding of a plastics material.

13. (Previously Presented) The door according to claim 11, including said flank portion is substantially parallel to the front side and the rear side of the door.

14. (Previously Presented) The door according to claim 11, wherein a height of said flank portion is adjusted to compensate for the difference in length between said inner wall and said outer wall.

15. (Previously Presented) The door according to claim 11, including the height of said flank portion compensating for the difference in length is at least two (2) centimetres.

16. (Previously Presented) A door for a refrigerating appliance, comprising:
an outer wall and an inner wall connected together along longitudinal edges;
a first closure element fastened to a transverse edge of said outer wall and a transverse edge of said inner wall, said first closure element together with said outer wall and said inner wall delimiting an insulating intermediate space, said inner wall constructed to be shorter in the longitudinal direction than said outer wall, said first closure element bridging the difference in length between said inner wall and said outer wall;
a second closure element which is fastened to a second transverse edge of said outer wall and said inner wall, respectively, each of said second transverse edges flush with one another.

17. (Previously Presented) The door according to claim 10, including said first closure element forms an upper closure of the door.

18. (Previously Presented) The door according to claim 16, including said first closure element forms an upper closure of the door.

19. (Currently Amended) A refrigerating appliance including a door, comprising a body against which the door abuts when said door is in a closed position; said door including an outer wall and an inner wall connected together along longitudinal edges and defining a door plane when said door is in the closed position;
a first closure element fastened to a transverse edge of said outer wall and a transverse edge of said inner wall, said first closure element together with said outer wall and said inner wall delimits an insulating intermediate space; said inner wall constructed to be shorter in the longitudinal direction than said outer wall, said first closure element bridges the difference in length between said inner wall and said outer wall forming a space between said body and said first closure element; and
at least one of a control arrangement and a condition-indicating panel mounted at said body at the height of said first closure element in said space and formed as an uninsulated cap portion extending outwardly beyond the door plane when the door is in a closed position.

20. (Previously Presented) The appliance according to claim 19, including said first closure element having a stepped cross-section with a first portion fastened to said transverse edge of said outer wall, a second portion fastened to said transverse edge of said inner wall and a flank portion connecting said first and second portions, said flank portion compensating for the difference in length between said inner wall and said outer wall.

21. (Previously Presented) The appliance according to claim 20, including said first closure element formed from an injection moulding of a plastics material.

22. (Previously Presented) The appliance according to claim 20, including said flank portion is substantially parallel to the front side and the rear side of the door.

23. (Previously Presented) The appliance according to claim 20, wherein a height of said flank portion is adjusted to compensate for the difference in length between said inner wall and said outer wall.

24. (Previously Presented) The appliance according to claim 20, including the height of said flank portion compensating for the difference in length is at least two (2) centimetres.

25. (Previously Presented) The appliance according to claim 20, including a second closure element which is fastened to a second transverse edge of said outer wall and said inner wall, said transverse edges flush with one another.

26. (Previously Presented) The appliance according to claim 20, including said first closure element forms an upper closure of the door.

27. (Previously Presented) The appliance according to claim 25, including said first closure element forms an upper closure of the door.

28. (Currently Amended) A refrigerating appliance comprising:

a cooling compartment for retaining therein items that are to be cooled, the cooling compartment including a back wall, an access opening, and a side wall, the side wall having an inner surface, an outer surface, and a cap portion, the cap portion extending between and being connected to each of the inner and outer surfaces of the side wall, the cap portion forming a

termination of the side wall as viewed in a depth direction from back wall toward the access opening, the inner surface, the outer surface, and the cap portion together delimiting a volume therebetween in which insulating material is disposed, and the side wall being located at a side of the cooling compartment as viewed in a lateral direction perpendicular to the depth direction from back wall toward the access opening;

an indicia bearing portion, the indicia bearing portion being located outwardly of the cap portion of the side wall of the cooling compartment as viewed in the depth direction from back wall toward the access opening and the indicia bearing portion displaying thereon an indicia; ~~and~~

a door, the door being movable between open and shut positions for respectively permitting access via, and closing off, the access opening of the cooling compartment, the door defining a plane extending between the side walls and across the access opening when closing off the access opening and having a lateral extent in the lateral direction such that the door overlies the indicia on the indicia bearing portion in the closed position of the door; and

wherein the cap portion extends beyond the plane extending between the side walls and across the access opening when the door is in a shut position closing off the access opening.

29. (Previously Presented) The refrigerating appliance according to claim 28, wherein a portion of the indicia bearing portion on which the indicia is displayed has a predetermined profile and a portion of the door that overlies the indicia on the indicia bearing portion in the closed position of the door has a corresponding profile shape.